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TV CENTURY 21

EVERY WEDNESDAY 7D

ADVENTURE IN THE 21st CENTURY

No. 26 UNIVERSE EDITION EVERY WEDNESDAY DATELINE: July 17, 2065

CIVIL WAR

Astran City Burns

Special Report by Colonel Steve Zodiac

Colonel Zodiac

THE Astran Main Space Fleet surrounded the capital city of Astra today in a showdown with their new Kaplan. This dramatic event springs from the assassination of the old Kaplan while he was making a visit to Earth.

Investigators of the World Space Patrol established that the new Kaplan was the brains behind the assassination and informed the Kapt of the Astran fleet. Once told, the Kapt ordered his men to surround the city and call for the arrest of the Kaplan, but the power crazed leader refused to surrender.

Now the city burns, flames and smoke billowing high into the sky. Explosion follows explosion as pre-placed war heads rip the graceful buildings apart. This beautiful city, nestling in the hills of Astra, is slowly being destroyed.

With the coming of dusk, troops from the space fleet will move in on the ruins. Only then will the rule of the six hundred and eleventh Kaplan of Astra be officially over.

(Full report on pages 4/5.)

SENATOR ATTACKS STINGRAY MISSION

SENATOR JACK MARASEL of France made a bitter attack on the W.A.S.P.s in the World Senate today.

The senator poured scorn on Stingray's 'Ghost Hunting' mission at tracking station 17 and stated, "While the sea lanes of the world are threatened by underwater creatures, Shore and his boys are gaily galavanting around some island looking for ghosts."

Senator Adrinnikof of Russia defended Stingray.

The debate was adjourned till tomorrow.

(Full Stingray report on pages 10/11.)

STOP PRESS

TV 21 OUTSTRIPS RIVALS

In its first six months of existence, TV CENTURY 21 has pulled ahead of every other children's comic being sold in Great Britain.

Tell your friends—they'll enjoy TV Century 21, too!

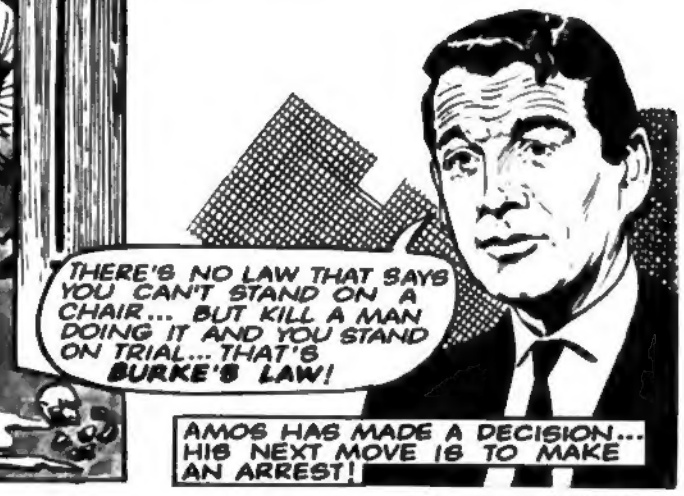
CORGI MODEL CLUB NEWS — EVERY WEEK PAGE 19

The TV 21 Time Machine returns to 1965 for thrills and action with Captain Amos Burke.

BURKE'S LAW

WHO KILLED SUPER-BRAIN? (PART ONE)

Erasmus Werks is the genius and principal partner of Super-Brain Inventions Inc. Henry Deed is the junior partner, junior genius and junior everything else in this two-man firm . . . but he is such a little man!



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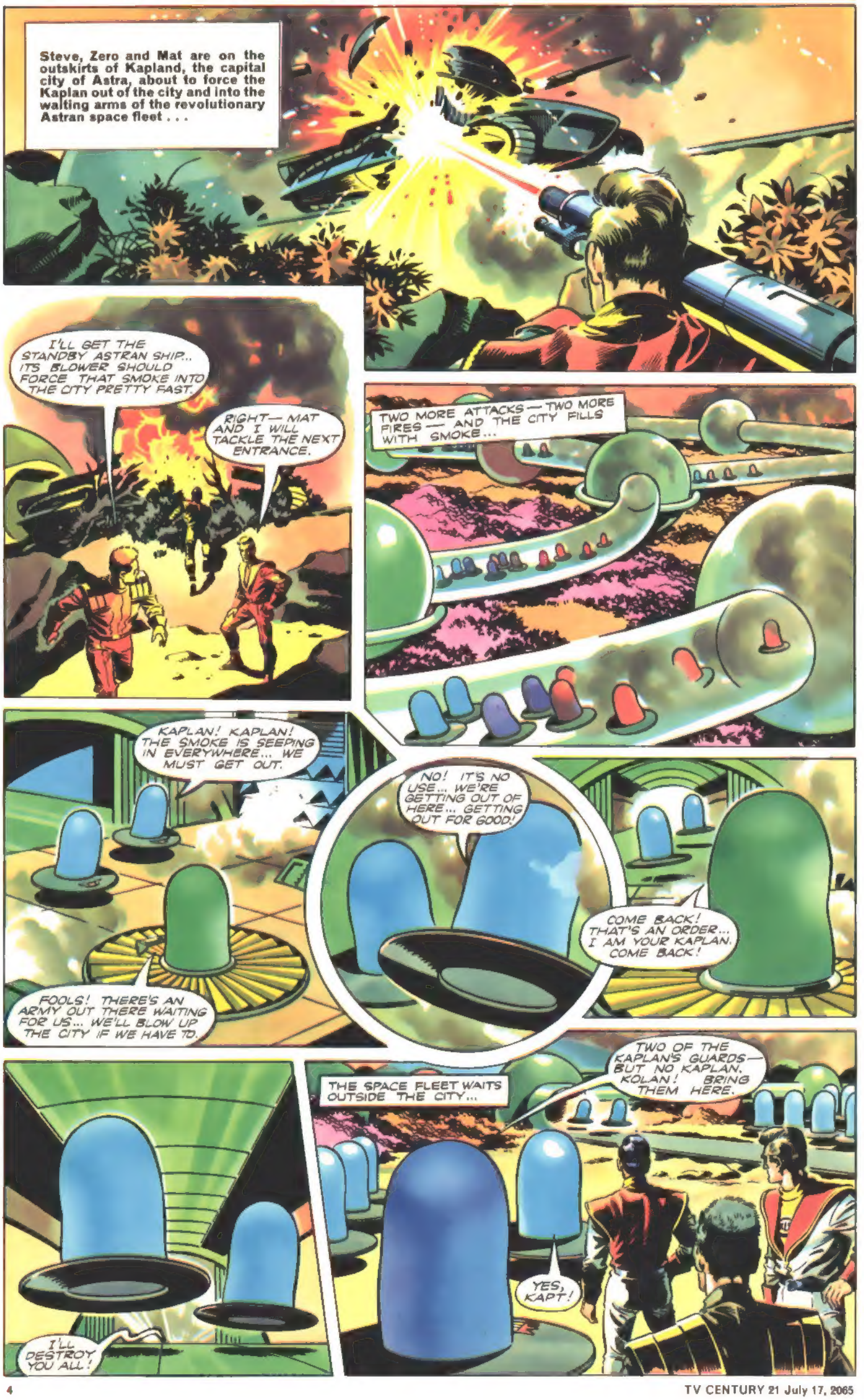
ASTRA'S FINAL BATTLE

A PERSONAL REPORT BY COLONEL ZODIAC



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CONTACT 21

From E. Hunter, Wigan, Lancs. "I want to thank you for my Remote Controlled Stingray which I won in the TV 21 Headline Competition. I am sending a picture of myself with the Stingray."

75 STINGRAY FRICTION MODELS TO BE WON!

ENTER this simple crossword competition and you may win a wonderful friction motored Stingray. Just fill in the answers clearly, then cut out the crossword and send your entry to Stingray Crossword, 167, Fleet Street, London, E.C.4. to arrive not later than Thursday, July 22.

After the closing date, all the entries will be put together and the first 75 correct answers drawn at random will be the winners.

DO NOT ENCLOSE ANY OTHER CORRESPONDENCE, IDENTICODE OR PHOTOS with your entry.

The Editor's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into concerning this competition.

MESSAGE TO SPECIAL AGENTS

THIS week I have authorised a new series of articles showing some of the items I used from my sample case during my days as an active special agent. The first of these is the case itself which is illustrated below. I must say now, that at various times modifications were carried out on both the case and some of the samples. This means that a few of the items shown over the coming weeks might vary slightly from those illustrated in the strip story of my career.

Also in this week's edition is a report from an agent code-named 'Jackdaw'. This agent has been sent a TV 21 Honorary Reporter's Card.

Now for news of the future. In two weeks time there will be a special 28 page Dalek edition with a fantastic competition. First prizes will be three real Daleks used in the new 'Dr. Who and the Daleks' film.

There will also be hundreds of runners up prizes.

Secretly, *Twenty One*

AGENTS REPORTS

Dear Twenty One,

I have a 21 escape car. I first tested it after I had borrowed plans from the Schweiner-Strauss Aircraft factory. After leaving the building, I made my way to where I had parked the 21. My first idea was to escape fast, but I was being followed which became evident when I heard a faint 'phut' and a bullet ricochetted off a lamp-post.

Instinctively I hit the deck as two more bullets embedded themselves in a nearby tree. Quickly I rolled behind a lamp-post and drew my Berreta.

Several more shots chipped away pieces of the concrete post. I aimed at the flashes of the other guns. The next few seconds were fraught with rapid gun-fire. Then a bullet must have ricochetted off the road and hit me in the temple, for all went black.

When I awoke, all I could see were a few blurred figures. Slowly my eyes focused. There were two figures in front of me. I felt something trickling down my face. It was blood. I could not move as my legs were bound together, though fortunately not to the chair in which I was seated. My eyes roved the surroundings. I seemed to be in a large hall in the middle of which was a swimming pool.

"Ah, I see you're awake, Jackdaw!" said the first man. He was rather large and his clothes seemed several sizes too small. It was Piranha, a rather unlikeable character. He had called me by the name I am often known by, Jackdaw.

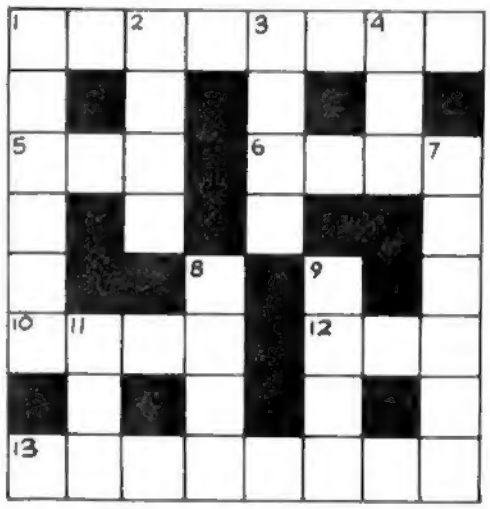
I suddenly took my chance and shot my legs forward, pushing Piranha back against his companion. Both men fell back into the pool.

Their screams were quickly cut off as a shoal of piranha fish, the crook's pets, swarmed over them.

Using a glass on the table next to the chair, I quickly severed my bonds. Free, I sauntered from the hall out into the street where 21 was parked.

Jackdaw.

Twenty One replies: That was some adventure, Jackdaw. Easily comparable to some of the cases of Senior Special Agents. I hope other agents enjoy reading it as much as we at Headquarters.



ACROSS: 1. She's a *lady* agent! 5. Male sheep. 6. Palm fruit. 10. Type of bread. 12. Green vegetable which grows in a pod. 13.. . . . . ., charm and deadly danger!

DOWN: 1. Lady Penelope's "nosey" assistant! 2. People call you by yours. 3. Penelope's title. 4. Girl's or boy's name. 7. Break out of. 8. Slimy garden pest. 9. Not closed. 11. To lubricate.

SPECIAL REPORT

AGENTS who have bought TV 21 Stingray Special have asked if further books are to be published. Reprinted left is the cover of the TV Century 21 Summer Extra. TV Century 21 Annual and Stingray Annual will be on sale in September.

SAMPLES CASE

THIS type of sample case is issued to all Senior Special Agents working on secret missions. Below is the make-up of the normal sample case.

The two lid catches are primers for concentrated smoke canisters in-laid in the lid of the case. These are primed by a sharp pull on the case handle and detonated by a heavy blow.

A television screen is built into the inside of the lid on the same frequency as the TV Doll.

The detachable false bottom covers a secret compartment for the three pieces of a ray rifle.

On the false bottom, and around the inside of the case are a series of leather covered loops which hold the various samples in position. These loops are in fact solid plastic explosives and can quickly be brought into use by stripping back the leather covering.

This is the basic case, and in the following weeks you will be shown some of the gadgets agents like 21 take with them.

Mark Reynolds, 426564

Geoffrey Shore, Castleford, Yorks.

Brian Shaw, Huyton, Liverpool.

Trevor Fielder, Witham, Essex.

Gerard Langsey, Liverpool, 259992.

Leonard Hopkins, Littlehampton, Sussex.

21 is trying to find out how a mystery organisation is taking control of special agents. He trails one of the enemy to a hospital on the outskirts of Jupiter's capital. While breaking into the hospital, 21 is caught, but at the first opportunity throws himself through a window . . .

RELEASE THE DOGS!

21 REACHES HIS SAMPLES CASE...

AND HURLS IT AT THE DOGS...

THE EXPLOSION FIRES A SMOKE BOMB...

WHAT'S DOC ZALIKZA UP TO NOW?

I'M NOT SURE IT IS THE DOC... COME ON!

HE'S GOT CLEAR... THOSE FOOLS ON THE FRONT GATE HAVE LET HIM GET AWAY!

PACK UP— WE'RE MOVING OUT OF HERE!

ONLY ONE WAY TO HANDLE THIS... GET THE FULL ORGANISATION WORKING! I'LL GET IN TOUCH WITH TINA!

IN THE INTERESTS OF SECURITY THIS IS ONLY AN ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF 21, AND NOT A TRUE LIKENESS.

LOOK-YOUR OWN STINGRAY!

Send for this Airfix Construction Kit, says Troy Tempest

Hello Aquanauts,

Ever dreamed of commanding Stingray? Well now you can! I will send you an easy-to-assemble Airfix Construction Kit (which you can only get from Lyons Maid) that makes up into a thrilling 10" scale model of Stingray.

Just enjoy SEA JET — the great new deep-sea ice lolly from LYONS MAID. Then send me *3 Sea Jet wrappers and a Postal Order for 6/-*

Be sure to get *your own* Stingray!

Troy Tempest.

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Capital letters please

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AUGUST 2nd

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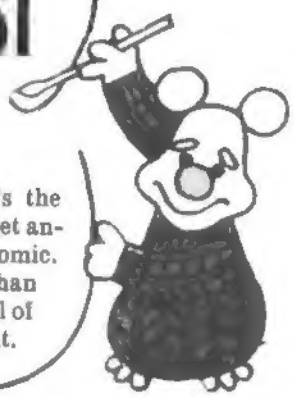

READ ALL ABOUT JAPAN

PUZZLE PAGE

Two pages full of puzzles, jokes, ideas.

Your mother can get the Primo comic when she buys two packets of Premium Tea.

PREMIUM TEA 3

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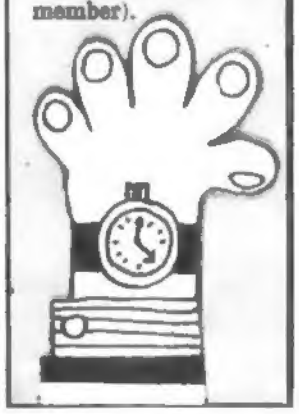
AUGUST 2nd IS PRIMO COMIC DAY

SPORTING EVENT!

How to play baseball

Win a watch

(winner gets an extra special one if he/she is a Primo Club member).



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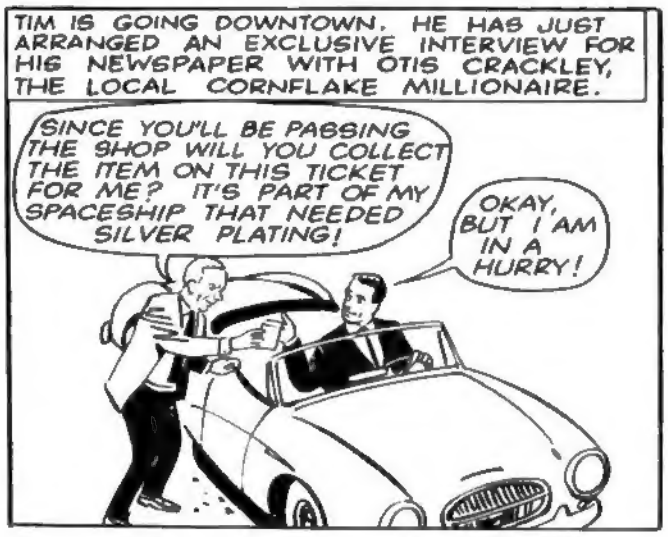

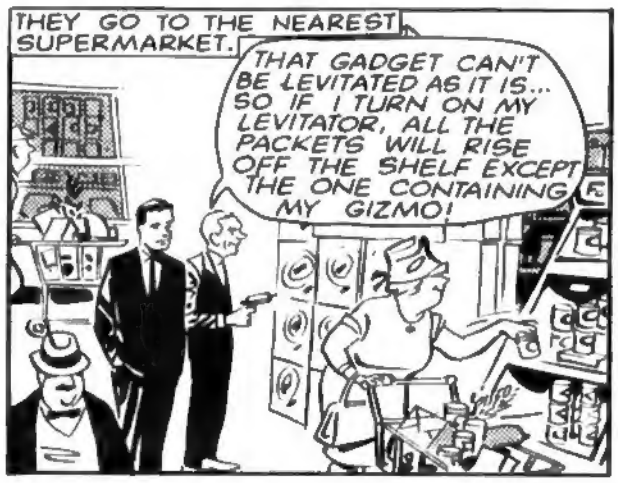

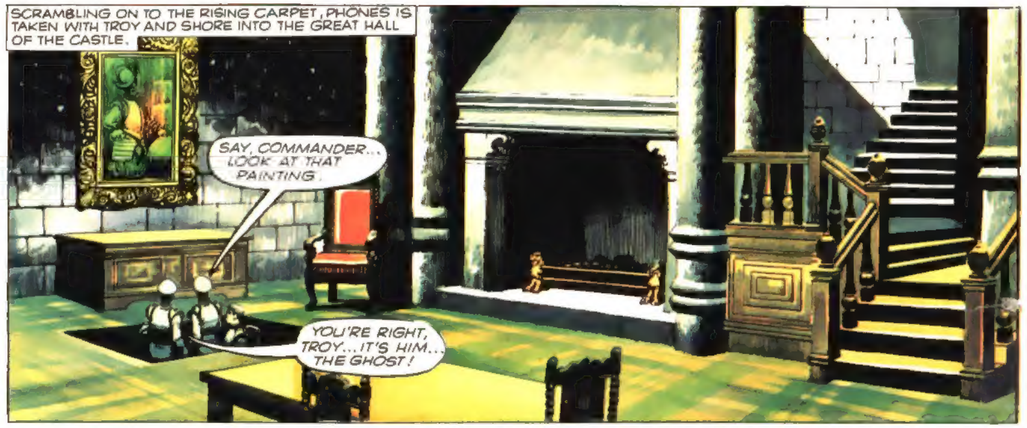

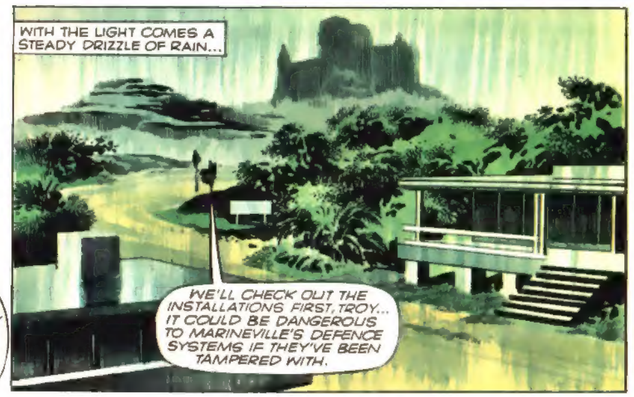

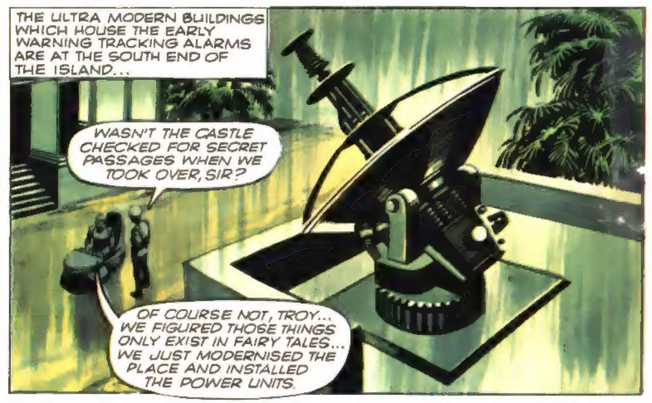

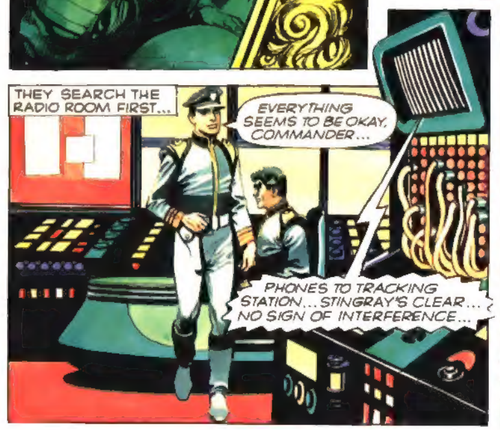

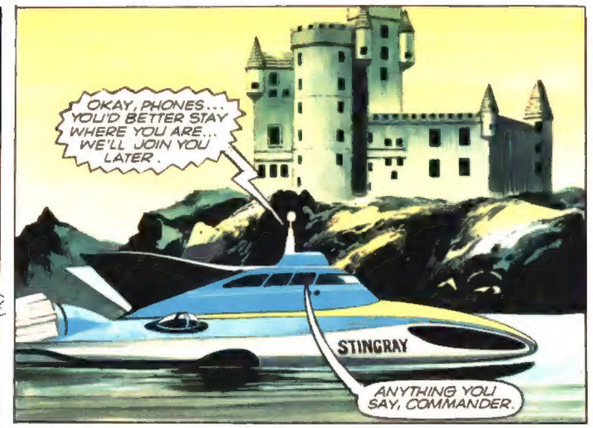

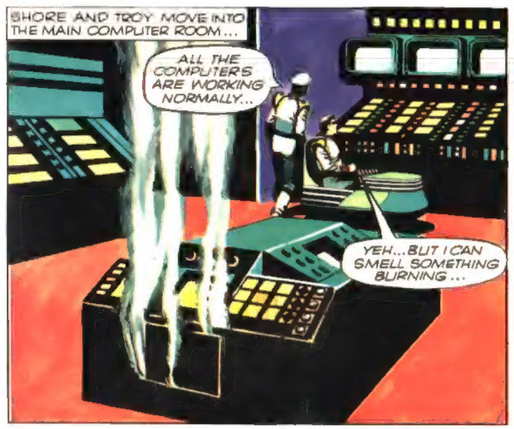

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JUPITER

THE SOLAR GIANT

By ROGER DUNN
member of the British Interplanetary Society

THE TRUTH ABOUT SPACE

Illustration by David A. Hardy, F.A.R.S.

The rapidly shifting, turbulent cloud belts of the planet Jupiter, seen from the "grandstand" position of its nearest moon, Amalthea. This little moon is only about 100 miles in diameter. On the face of the planet which looms in the sky can be seen the famous Great Red Spot—the other two dark spots are shadows of other moons.

JUPITER, which is named after the most powerful of the Roman gods, is the giant of the solar system.

It has a diameter of 89,000 miles and 1,300 planets as big as earth could be fitted inside it.

Although it is the nearest of the outer planets, Jupiter is 483 million miles from the sun, and is extremely cold. Its top layer is probably an icy substance thousands of miles thick.

Jupiter has an atmosphere but it seems to be quite different from ours. Telescopes show great layers of swirling clouds which rotate more quickly at the equator than they do at the poles. These clouds are very dense and completely hide the planet's surface.

The most recent discoveries about Jupiter have therefore been made with radio telescopes, which can intercept the radio waves the planet emits from four different sources. Two of these sources are 180 degrees apart and are believed to be associated with the planet's magnetic field. The other two are not symmetrical and are therefore still something of a mystery.

The radio waves arrive at the radiotelescope antennas in regularly spaced bursts and surges. By timing their arrival astronomers can calculate the planet's rotation rate.

GREAT RED SPOT

They have discovered in this way that Jupiter rotates more slowly than it used to. Prior to 1961 it completed one rotation every nine hours, 55 minutes and 29.3 seconds—faster than any other planet in the solar system. But in that year, some astronomers noted, the rotations lengthened by 1.3 seconds.

One of the planet's most conspicuous features is its Great Red Spot, which has been observed through telescopes since 1831. It changes regularly. Sometimes it is a dull red, but at others it becomes so pale that it can scarcely be seen.

The Great Red Spot is believed to be a detached cloud floating high above the surface. It also has slowed its rotation in recent years.

Recent observations show that the Red Spot takes 10 seconds longer to rotate than the rest of the planet, and the change is still continuing. There are signs, the astronomers say, that the Red Spot day is becoming shorter, while Jupiter's day is becoming longer.

MORE SPACE PROBES

At present there can be only speculation about what this means, but it is clear that a lot of interest will be focussed on Jupiter in the future. The radio astronomers will continue to collect evidence, and space probes may eventually be sent to look further into this mystery.

The fact that some parts of Jupiter rotate at slightly different speeds indicates that Jupiter cannot be entirely solid.

Some scientists think that it may be gaseous throughout. Examination by spectroscope shows that Jupiter's gases include hydrogen, ammonia and methane.

Jupiter has 12 known moons, two of them bigger than the planet Mercury. These big ones were discovered by Gallileo in 1610, but the others, all very small, escaped the notice of astronomers until 1892.

SPACEMEN'S PORTRAIT GALLERY

Vladimir Komarov

COSMONAUT KOMAROV was the pilot of the Russian spacecraft Voskhod I, in which three men orbited the earth 16 times on October 12, 1964. To date, this is the only three-man mission ever flown.
Komarov, who holds the rank of Engineer-Colonel, comes from Moscow. From his schooldays he wanted to be a pilot and he realised this ambition after attending the Air Force Flying School in his home city. Later he became a good parachutist, making 77 jumps. Cosmonaut Komarov, now 38, is married and has two children.

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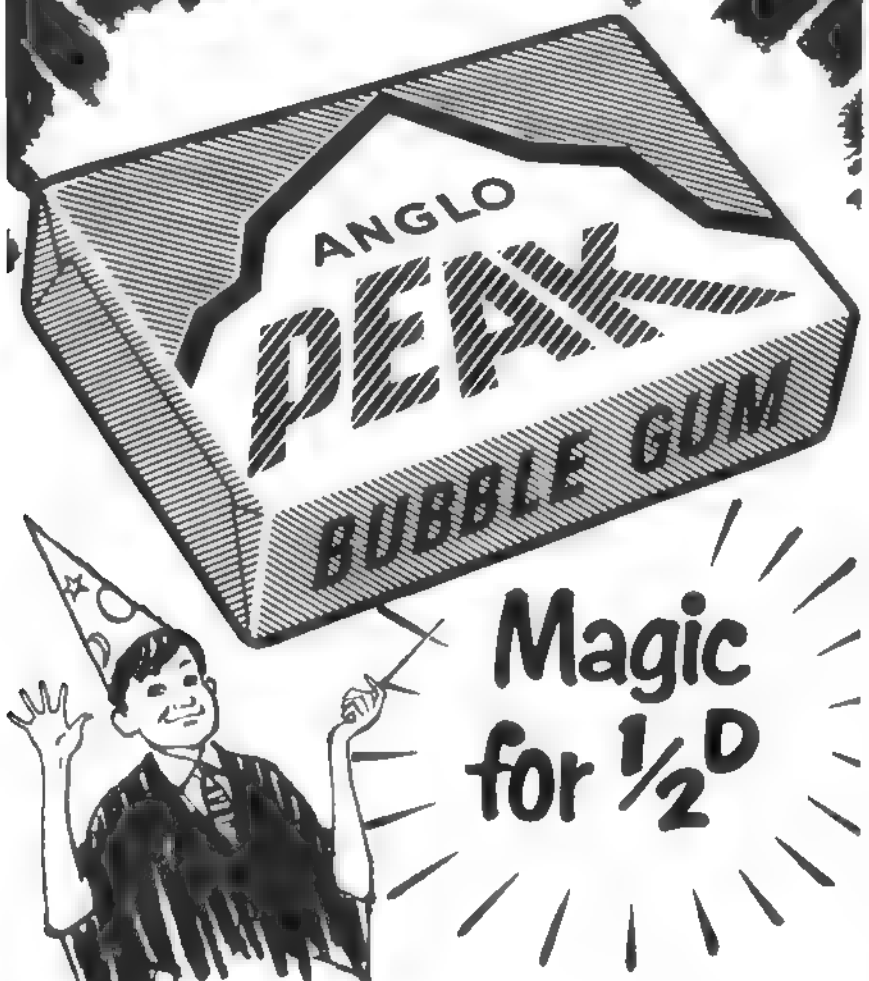

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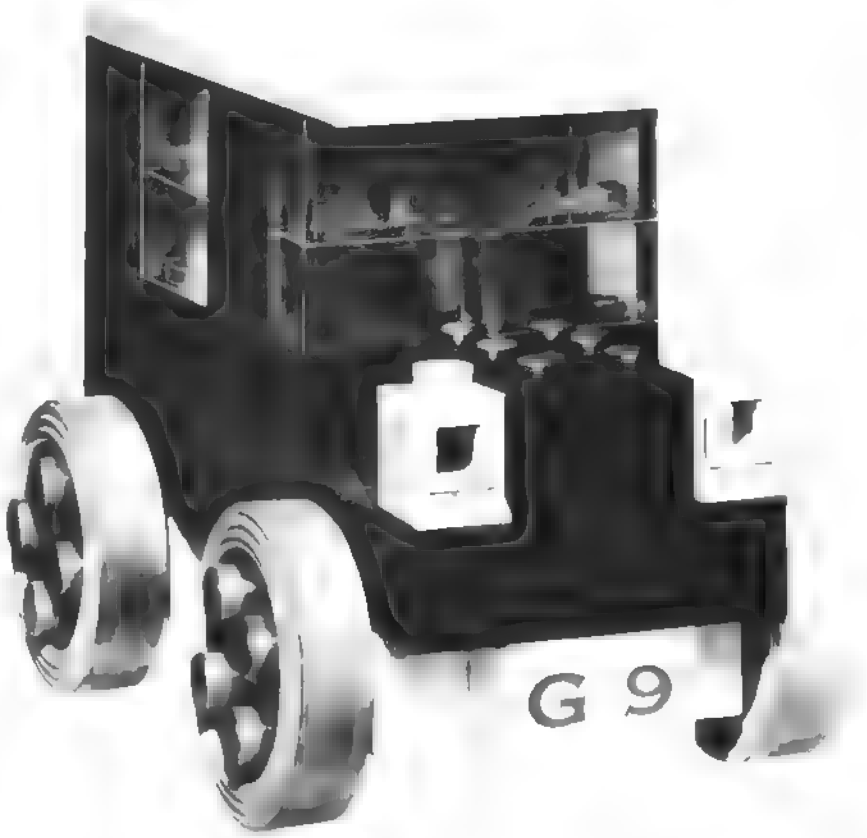

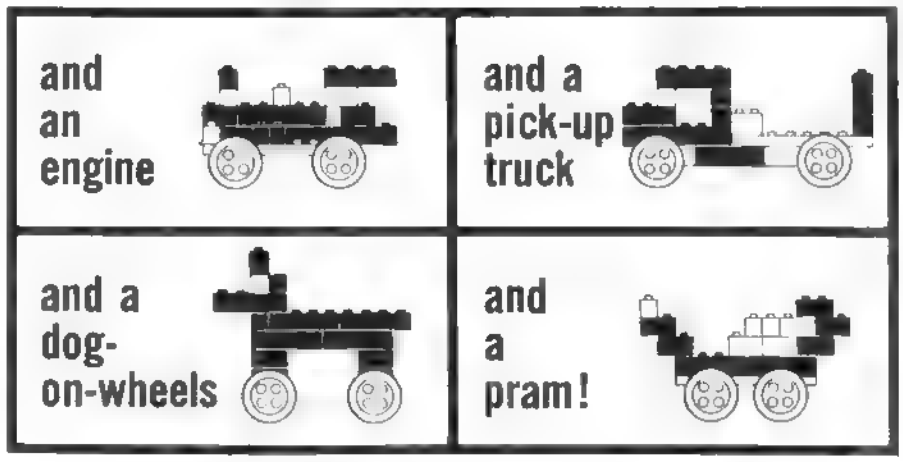

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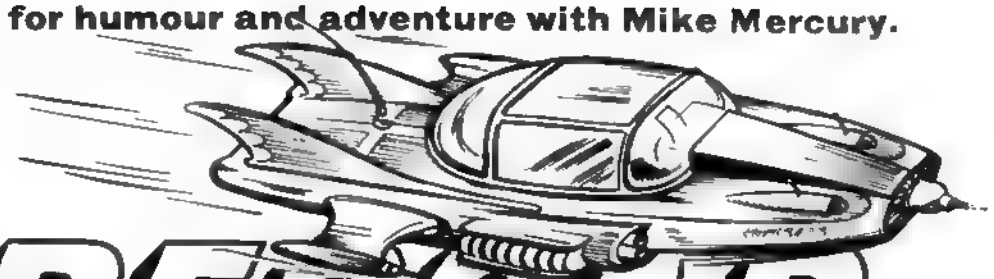
The TV 21 Time Machine goes back to 1965 for humour and adventure with Mike Mercury.



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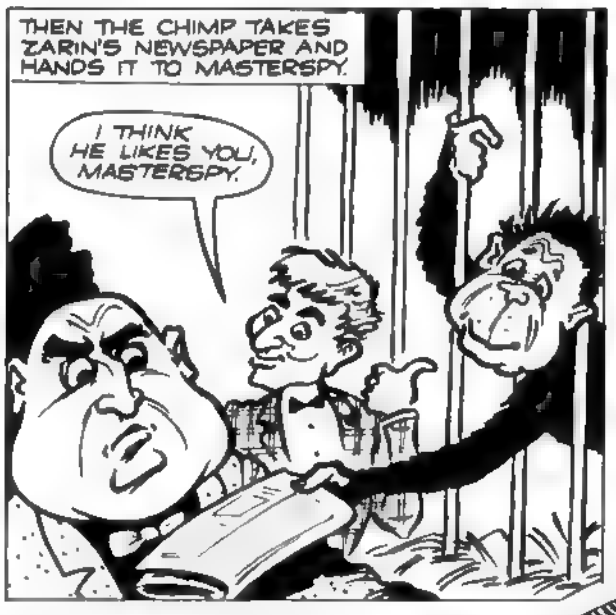
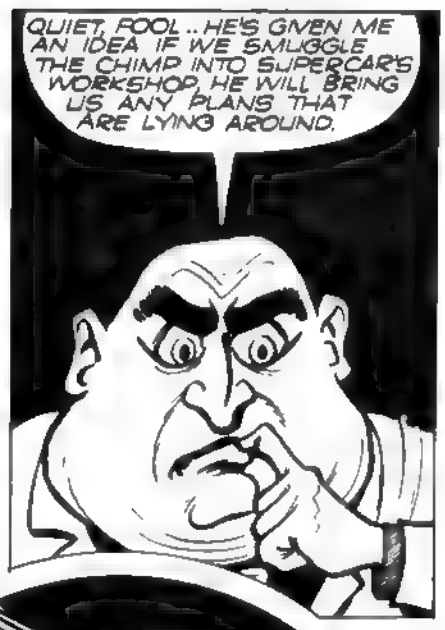
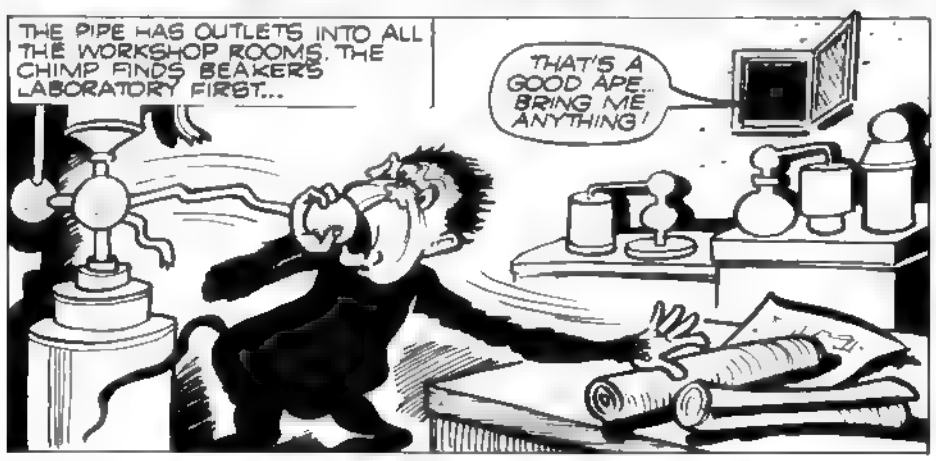




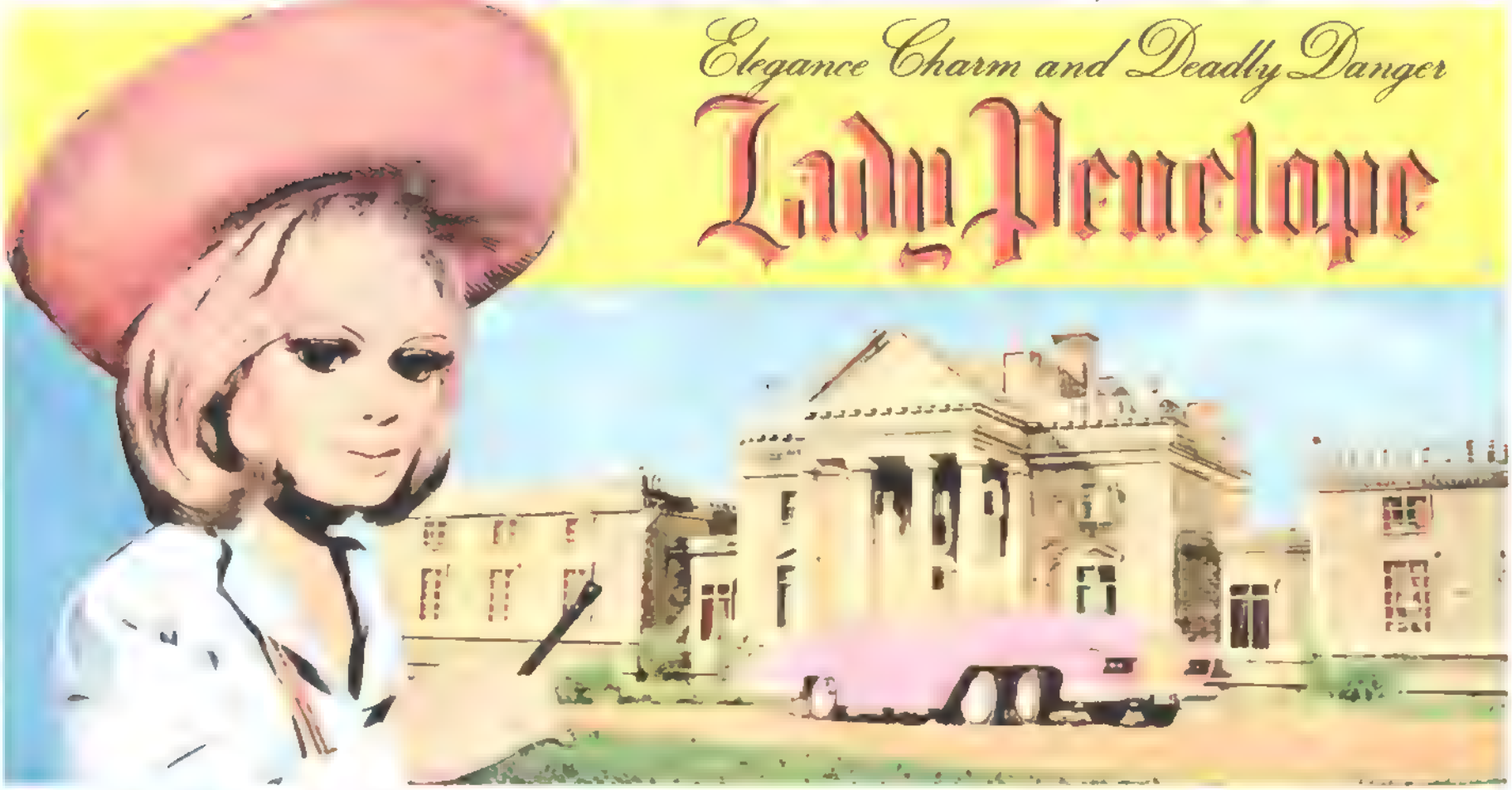


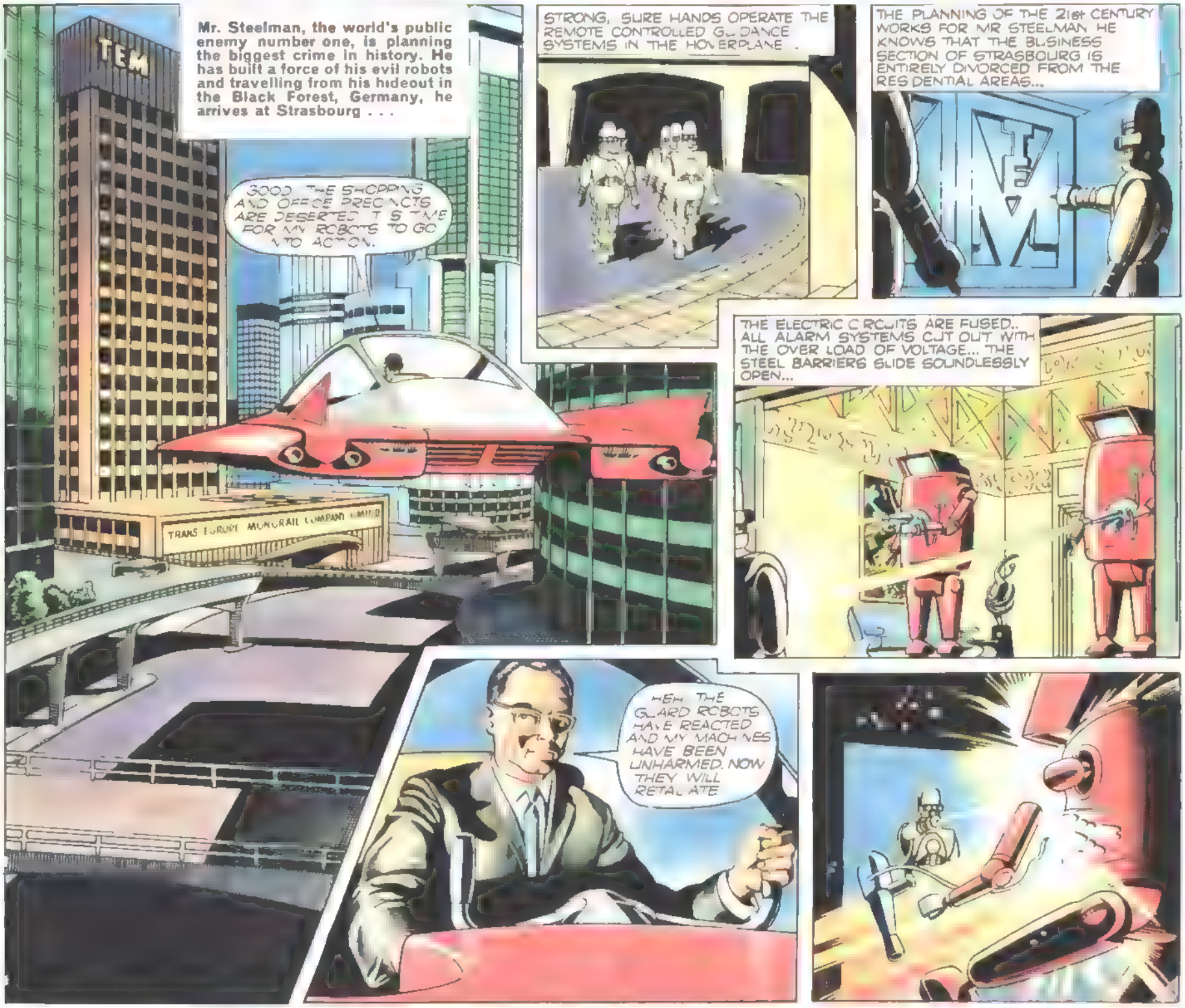
SUPERCAR APPEARS IN THE TV 21 SUMMER EXTRA, ON SALE NOW!

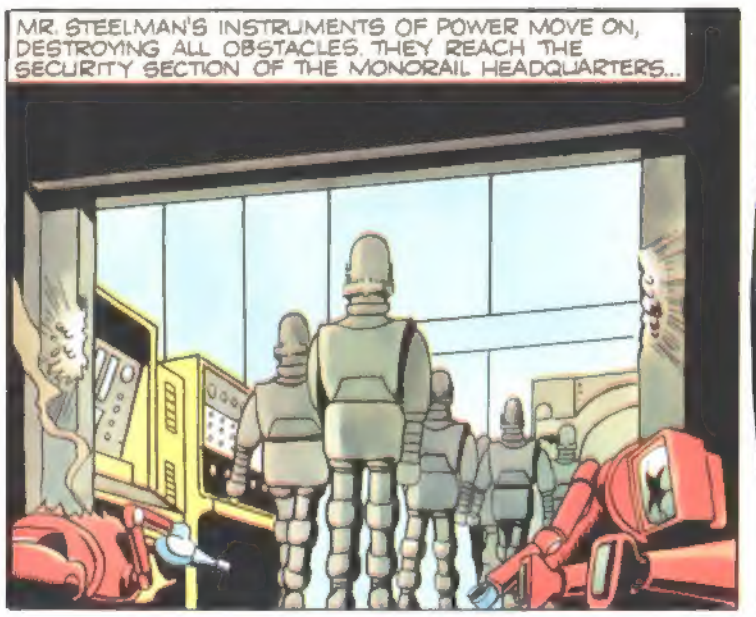
REPORT AND PICTURES BY LADY PENELOPE, TV21's PARIS CORRESPONDENT

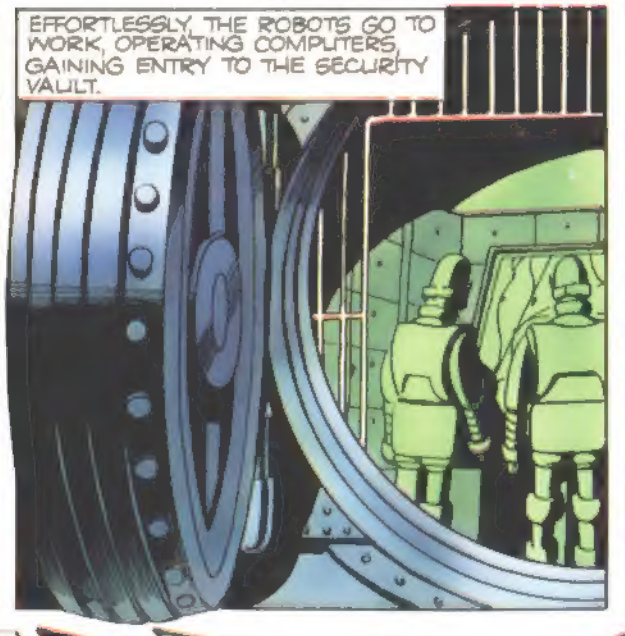
Elegance Charm and Deadly Danger

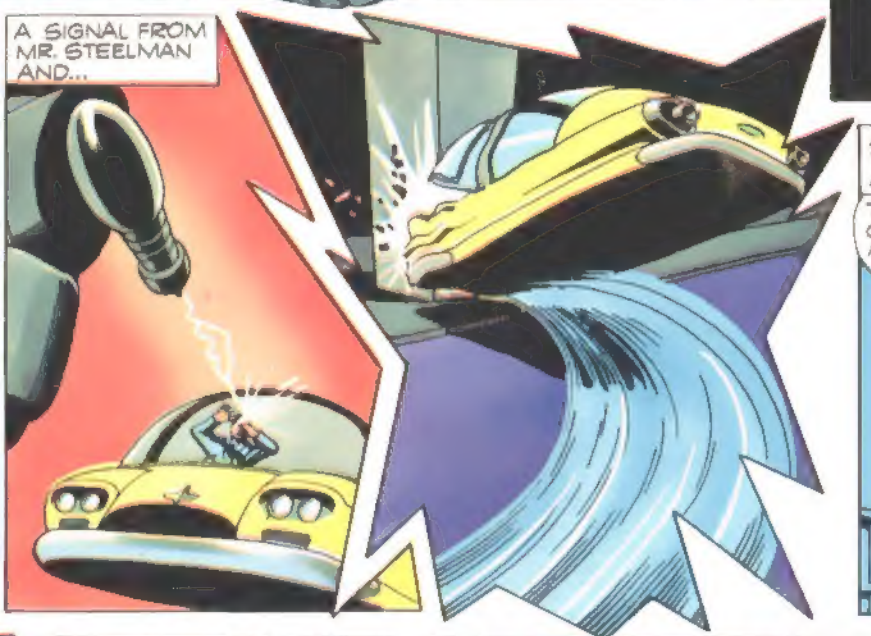
Lady Penelope

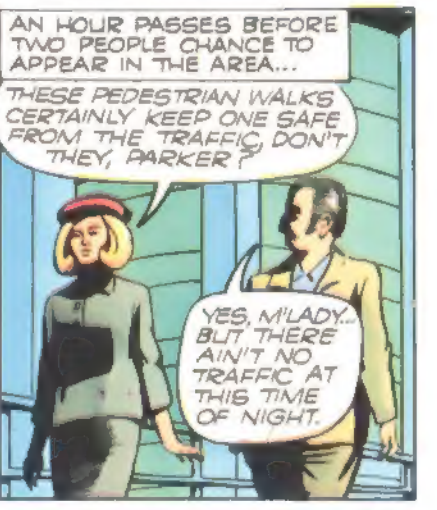


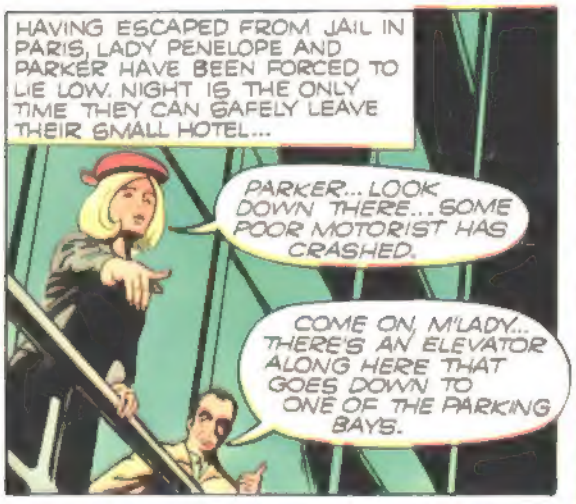


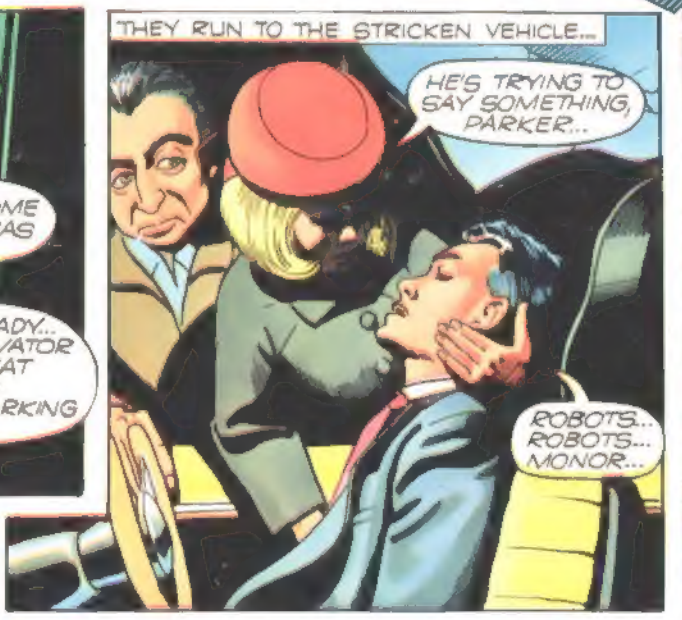


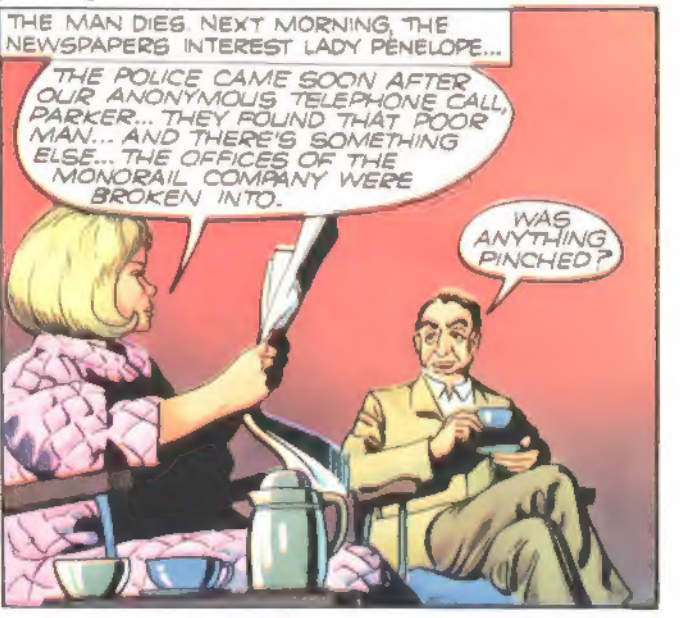


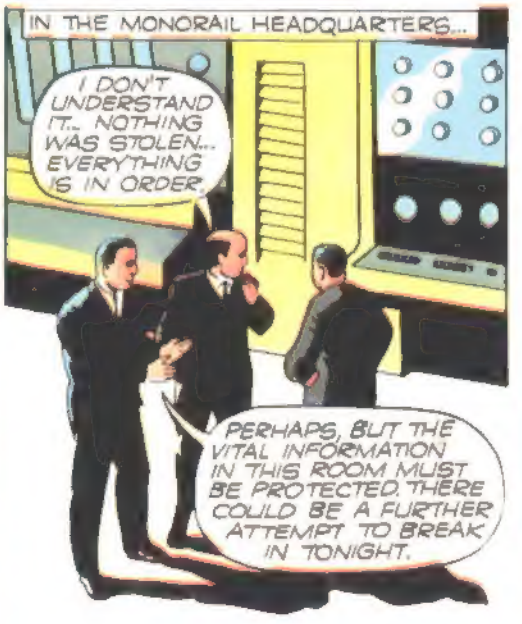












LADY PENELOPE APPEARS IN TV 21 SUMMER EXTRA ON SALE NOW...

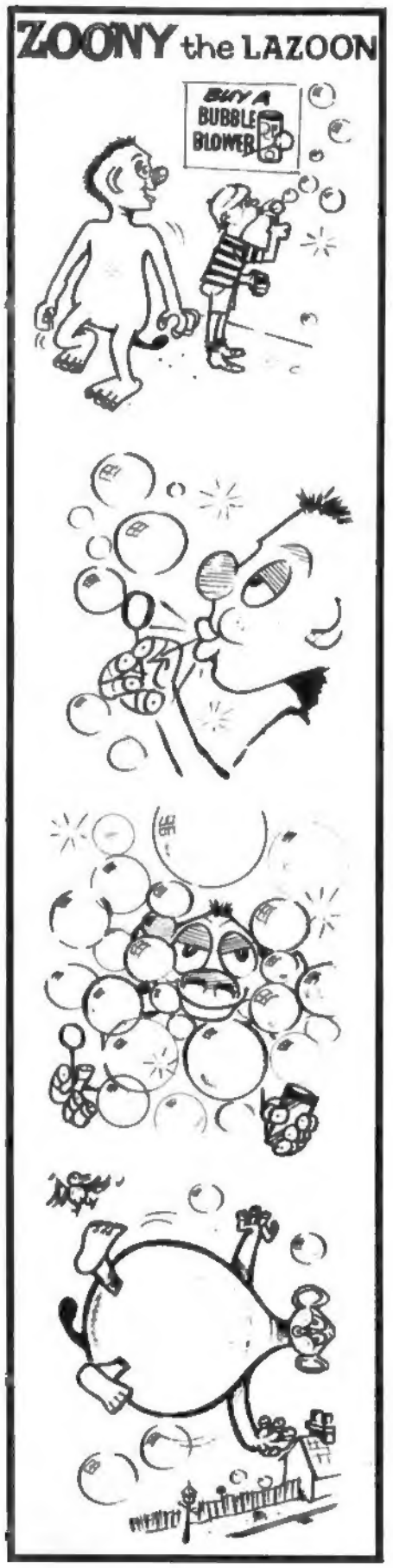
AQUA ANTICS

FINS FLY AFTER FISH FIGHT

IT took just 45 seconds for the Fish-world Heavyweight Championship to be decided last night at Drain City Stadium, Under Atlantic. That's how long it was before champion Cassius Crab had sent the title contender, Sonny Lobster, reeling to the canvas.

As Lobster, obviously groggy, tried vainly to beat the count, the crowd glugged and blooed, and hurled rotten sea eggs and tomatoes into the ring. Many of them had paid anything up to 567 shells for tickets on the black market—and the fight was over in less than a marine minute.

When the referee, Ernest Bloater, indicated that Crab was the winner, angry spectators rushed for the ropes, and even began fighting among themselves.



FUNNY FISH

Turtles hit back at Litter Bugs!

ANNOYED at the continual dumping of rubbish by passing ships, a gang of turtles living in the English Channel decided to hit back.

So they collected up all the rubbish they could find in the North Sea and carted it ashore.

Londoners going to work had to pick their way past two wrecked cruisers, four ancient galleons, six hundred rusty bikes, a thousand tin baths and close on half a million old cans of various sizes.

But those who took the trouble to search among the rubbish found a number of gold bars and some chests full of valuable treasure which must have gone down with the galleons!

• News in Brief •

● *While getting dressed one morning, a short-sighted Scotch Herring put out his seaweed sporran for the day and hung his catfish to his kilt belt . . .*

● Fish savers at Brighton beach saved two stranded sharks from floundering today. The careless sharks were left high and dry when the tide went out.

● *Two sharks lost all their teeth while attacking the three-man crew of a sinking robot cargo vessel. Unfortunately for them, the crew were robots, too!*

Lady Penelope Investigates: The Fugitive

AS you know, the Fugitive and I managed to sneak out of the hotel in Miami—but just as we left we were spotted by Lt. Gerard.

"Drive—Parker!" I instructed. "Like you've never driven before!"

As we pulled away from the kerb, Lt. Gerard jumped into a waiting car and followed in hot pursuit.

I glanced at Richard Kimble who was looking grimly ahead—he looked tired and defeated—he had run too much and too hard and now obviously thought it was the end. The sad expression on his face made me all the more determined to save him.

"All right, Parker—Oil Slip and Smoke screen!" I instructed.

FAB 1 emitted a foul black smoke from its rear which completely blocked us from view. We could hear the car behind screeching and skidding as it desperately tried to keep up with us. Vaguely we saw fog lamps penetrate the smoke. The car closed in on us again.

For one brief, horrible moment the eyes of Richard Kimble and Lt. Gerard met. The pursued and the pursuer.

"Quick, Parker, the Chariot Spokes," I hissed.

The centre hubs of the wheels on the side nearest the car alongside shot out and with a piercing, ripping sound—punctured the wheels and sent the car skidding, spinning and hurtling off the road.

As we sped away into the distance, I caught a glimpse of a furious and once more outwitted Lt. Gerard.

NEWS CORGI MODEL CLUB

Hallo Corgi Club Members,

Summer holidays will soon be here and a lot of you will be travelling by car to the country, seaside and abroad. A good game for you to play when travelling on the roads is—I Spy Corgi cars. Get your Corgi Toys catalogue out and put a value on each car in the range. For example the value of a Mini would be 1 because there are so many Minis on the road, but a Mercedes Pullman 600 would be a top scorer—say 10. Then when you spot the cars make a note of your score and with your brothers, sisters and friends you can have a competition, the one with the highest score at the end of the journey being the winner.

The story on the Diamond Jubilee of the AA reminds me you could also score one point for each AA box or RAC box you see by the roadside as they are in the Corgi Kits range.

Have fun on your holiday,

Bill Baxter

The Secretary, Corgi Model Club,
Queensway, Swansea Industrial Estate, Swansea.

THE AA STORY

Piper Apache spotter-plane.

Sixty years ago the motor car was considered a dangerous novelty and limited to a speed of only 20 m.p.h. The public, the authorities and the police did everything possible to trap and thwart the motorist. A group of enthusiastic motorists formed an "Automobile Association" and recruited 'scouts' on cycles to patrol the roads at weekends to warn motorists of the whereabouts of police traps. The fight with the police continued and when A.A. scouts stopped and warned their members that they were approaching police traps, the police prosecuted the patrols for "obstructing the police in the execution of their duties". The A.A.'s reply was a master stroke of brilliance in its simplicity—the scouts saluted members but only if the road ahead was clear; if there was a trap he did not salute and so the motorist was warned of the danger ahead.

Those were the pioneering days. Today the Automobile Association, which celebrates its Diamond Jubilee (60 years) next month is the largest motoring organisation in the world with a membership of over 3,100,000. Its main job is to help members with information, run a free breakdown service, arrange route plans, organise travel arrangements, and give legal advice.

A.A. & R.A.C. telephone boxes are available in the Corgi Kits range (Item No. 602—price 2s 6d).

Telephone box for emergencies.

Break-down service Land Rover.

Far right: 1905 A.A. Scout.

545cc Chater Lea sidecar combination used up to the 1930's.

A CORGI MODEL CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM WITH EVERY CORGI MODEL

THE WORLD WE SHARE with the PECCARY

THE luckless hunter clung desperately to the branches of the tree. Below him, in the thick jungle undergrowth, prowled a pack of white-lipped Peccaries—the most ferocious wild pigs in the world.

As time passed, the peccaries began to lose interest in the man hanging grimly to the tree. Slowly they began to drift away. They had lost their sport and the hunter had saved his life—for one fatal move, one slip into that pack, and the man would have been torn to shreds.

Although small compared with others of the pig family, the Peccary is by far the most deadly. Other peculiarities are its long bristly hair and three-toed hooves instead of the four toes of the domestic pig.

Living in the jungles of Brazil and Paraguay, its main diet consists of roots and berries. But although not flesh-eating, it will kill man and dogs alike, with just one bite to the neck.

This is its defence mechanism—its only hope of survival—for the Peccary is hunted purely for game. Its flesh cannot be eaten, its hide is useless, but its speed and battering-ram charge are all that the hunters are interested in. This is the sport . . . to kill a Peccary in full flight—its great rounded shoulders smashing aside the bushes in its path.

Occasionally, as with the man in the tree, the hunter becomes the hunted and it is the Peccary that enjoys its own sport of killing man.

Today the Peccary is slowly being exterminated—its long reign of jungle supremacy is slowly drawing to an end.

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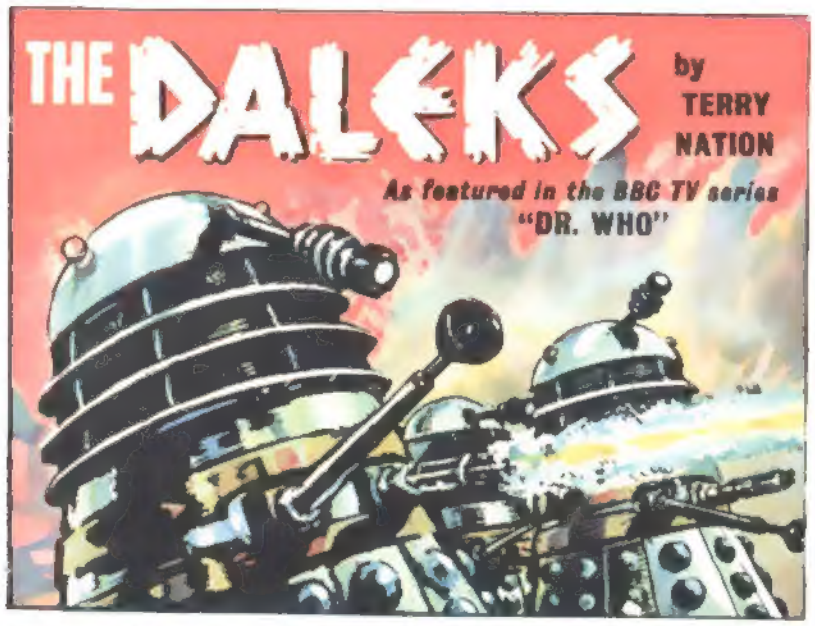
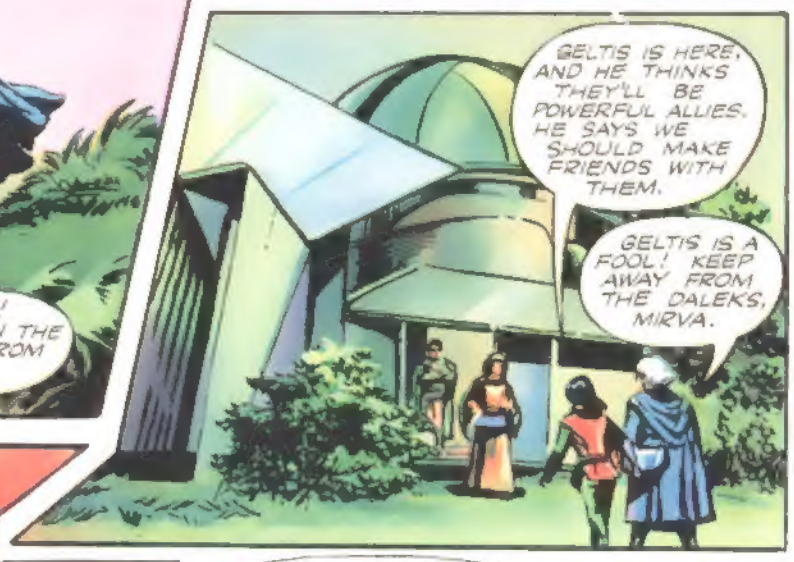
THE DALEKS

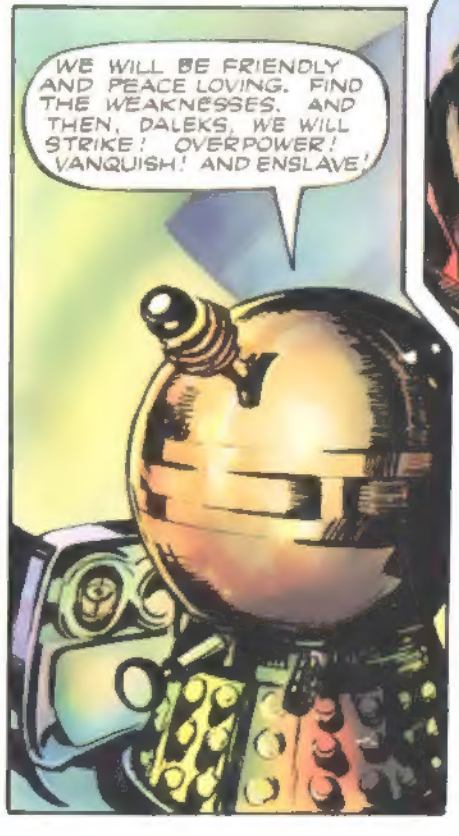
by TERRY NATION

As featured in the BBC TV series "DR. WHO"



The Daleks have been allowed to land on the planet Solturis — in spite of the warning of an old man named Lurr!





STOP PRESS

FIRE EMERGENCY

Lieutenant Fisher, stand-in controller at Martineville, has ordered high speed fire launches to Tracking Station 17, after receiving reports of an explosion in the computer room.

SPACE S.O.S.

Space City reports that May-day alert in area 23 picked up by Martian radio observatory. XL5 believed to be investigating.